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FWS/NWRS-RE - General Railroad Abandonments

April 13, 2007

Mr. Dave Geraci CSX Transportation Network Rationalization – J200 500 Water Street Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Mr. Geraci:

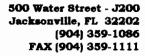
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed abandonment of 0.86 miles of railroad line between Milepost BXO 74.14 and Milepost BXO 75.00, near Flora, in Clay County, Illinois.

We have researched our ownerships in the vicinity and have determined we do not own any lands or interests in land in the vicinity of the proposed rail line abandonment. We do not have any concerns regarding real estate matters in the abandonment.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Carroll Senior Realty Officer Division of Realty

Patrick & Carroll





Dave Geraci Manager – Network Rationalization

May 4, 2007

Surface Transportation Board Section of Environmental Analysis 395 East Street, SW Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: CSXT Abandonment

Clay County, IL

STB Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 678X)

Dear STB - SEA:

This refers to CSX Transportation's Notice of Exemption filed on May 4, 2007, requesting authority to abandon its rail line described above. Enclosed please find a copy of a letter dated April 13, 2007 (received May 4, 2007) from Mr. Patrick Carroll of the US Department of Fish and Wildlife stating "We do not have any concerns regarding...the abandonment."

Sincerely,

Attachment

Copy: Mr. Steven Armbrust, CSXT, 500 Water Street-J150, Jacksonville, FL, 32202